



2001 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 3

January 12, 2001 - Introduced by Senator BURKE, cosponsored by Representative HUBER. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Consumer Affairs, and Campaign Finance Reform.

1 **To amend** section 4 (1) of article VI; and **to create** section 4 (7) of article VI of the
2 constitution; **relating to:** 4-year terms of office for district attorneys (first
3 consideration).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

EXPLANATION OF PROPOSAL

This proposed constitutional amendment, proposed to the 2001 legislature on first consideration, extends the terms of office of district attorneys from 2 years to 4 years. The change begins with district attorneys who are elected at the first general election that occurs following ratification by the voters.

A proposed constitutional amendment requires adoption by 2 successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

4 **Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That:**
5 **SECTION 1.** Section 4 (1) of article VI of the constitution is amended to read:
6 [Article VI] Section 4 (1) Except as provided in sub. (2), coroners, registers of
7 deeds, ~~district attorneys~~, and all other elected county officers except judicial officers,
8 sheriffs, district attorneys and chief executive officers, shall be chosen by the electors
9 of the respective counties once in every 2 years.

